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- The signature of the following inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration:
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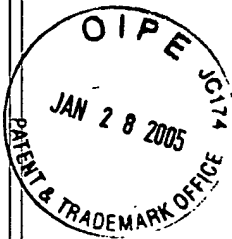
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In re the application of:)
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Serial No. : 10/725,931) Art Unit : 2615
Filed : December 3, 2003) Examiner : To Be Assigned
For : RECORDING AND REPRODUCING SYSTEM, RECORDING AND
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Sir:

This is in reply to the Notice of Incomplete Reply mailed on December 23, 2004.

A copy of the Notice of Incomplete Reply is attached hereto.

According to the Notice, the signature of four inventors is missing from the original, combined Declaration and Power of Attorney. These are Chiyoko MATSUMI, Keisuke MATSUO, Harutoshi MIYAMOTO and Nobuyasu TAKEGUCHI.

It was explained in the undersigned firm's Response of April 14, 2004 that the original Declaration, in fact, carries the signature of each of these four inventors. The first page of the original Declaration is a two-sided page document with the signatures of Chiyoko MATSUMI, Keisuke MATSUO, Harutoshi MIYAMOTO and Nobuyasu TAKEGUCHI on the opposite side of this first page. To clarify this, also submitted herewith is a copy of the original Declaration and Power of Attorney, as copied onto three separate pages, rather than the two-side copy and the one-side copy originally submitted with the undersigned's Response To Notice To File Missing Parts on April 14, 2004.

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If it is believed that somehow some problem remains with this Declaration, the Office of Initial Patent Examination is encouraged to contact the undersigned by telephone in order to address this situation. Otherwise, advancement of this application into the normal course for examination will be expected.

Respectfully submitted,

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